

IN THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 1 and 4. These sheets, which include Figs. 1, 2, and 4, replace the original sheets including Figs. 1, 2, and 4.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 2-7, 9, 10, and 34 are pending in the present application. Claims 2-7, 9, and 10 have been amended and Claims 1, 8, and 11-33 have been canceled without prejudice by the present amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, the drawings were objected to; the specification was objected to; Claims 12-14, 16, 20, 22-24, 26, 27, 29, and 30 were objected to; Claims 1, 8, and 11-33 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as anticipated by Seta (U.S. Patent 6,483,825 B2); Claim 34 was allowed; and Claims 2-7 and 9-10 were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter. In view of this indication, Claims 2-7 and 9-10 have been rewritten in independent form to include all the features of their base claim. No new matter has been added. Accordingly it is believed that Claims 2-7, 9, 10, and 34 are in condition for allowance.

Regarding the objection to the drawings, Figure 1 has been amended to show the sub-networks and the cycle masters, and a new Figure 4 has been added that shows a flowchart of the method claims. Further, it is noted that Claims 2-7, 9, 10, and 34 do not recite a clock offset and a de-jitter filter. No new matter has been added. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this objection be withdrawn.

Regarding the objection to the specification, the specification has been amended as suggested by the outstanding Office Action and also to refer to the sub-networks and cycle masters added in Figure 1 and to the flowchart of the method claims illustrated in Figure 4. No new matter has been added. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested these objections be withdrawn.

Regarding the objections and rejections of the claims, those objections and rejections are moot in view of the claim amendments discussed above.

Consequently, in light of the above discussion and in view of the present amendment, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance and an early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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